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Department believes French position (frankly qualified by financial considerations) as expressed refEmbtel signifies sufficient receptivity and cooperative intent with regard our approaches outlined refDeptels to justify recommending to Jordanians they return for talks with French. Embassy may indicate we understand French not unwilling talk further about sale certain number MIRAGES. Does GOJ know what deal with French would involve in costs, availability, possible delivery dates, spares, training?

Embassy may suggest to GOJ that in its deliberations re financing aspects any transaction with France it might want consider ~~xxxxxx~~ arrangement such as was written into Memorandum of Understanding between US and GOJ on ground forces package in which willingness sell equipment is contingent upon availability funds (e.g. UAC). This formulation should protect French needs regarding fiscal side any contract with Jordan and could help Jordan face Arab Summit meetings with commitment for supply supersonics. In its talks with GOJ Embassy should leave no impression that US financial participation is or may become an element in any transaction involving supersonics between Jordan and France.

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